(g) whether Government propose to give some justice to these employees for "ncouxagement of their morale; and

(h) if so, trig details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINI STRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AF FAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (d) The existing Govt, orders provide that if the absence is due to failure of transport facilities. Special Casual Leave may be granted to a Government servant, coming to office from a distance of more than 3 miles (5 kms). If the absence is due to pic keting disturbances or curfew. Special Casual Leave may be granted without insisting on the condition that the dis tance between the place of duty and residence is more than 3 miles. Grant of Special Casual Leave to a Govt, ser vant is to be considered by the approp riate competent authority in individual cases in different Ministries/Depart ments in the light of these orders.

(e) to (h) Since every Govt, servant is to use all reasonable means at his dis posal to attend office, no instructions are considered necessary for granting any Special Casual Leave or monetairy benefit to the Government servants who attended office on 25.02.1993. This cannot be said to result in any injustice or lowering of morale of such Government servants.

1495. (Transferred to 13th August, 1993).

1496. (Transferred to 13 th August, 1993).

Reservation to handicapped persons

1497. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to stale:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Supreme Court, in the recent judgement has recommended to Government to decide the question of providing preference/ reservation to the handicapped persons in Group 'A' posts as expeditiously as possible:

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what decision Government have so far taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes. Madam.

(b) and *(c)* A. proposal to provide reservation for the physically Handicapped in Group A and Group B posts under (he Central Government is under consideration.

Deputation of Group 'A' officers

1498. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:

SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

With the PRIME MINISTER be Phased to state:

(a) whether the Dopt guidelines allow deputation of officers of group 'A' from one Ministry/Department to another; and

(b) if so, whether the Dopt will make special efforts to send officers from other Ministries/Central Pool etc. on deputation against vacant posts in the Central Passport Organisation in public interest?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE. IN THE; MINI- STRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Vacancies of Group A posts in a Ministry can be Ailed by deputation if the relevant recruitment rales issued by the concerned Ministry provsde for ap- pointment by deputation.